

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Transfiguration Sunday

March 2, 2025
Ten O'clock in the Morning

Memorial Baptist Church
Buies Creek, North Carolina

Arrogant kings, with hate and lust,
Stamp on intrinsic things of dust
Their impress. Tiny coins of brass
Show forth their face as in a glass,
While superscriptions boast their name,
The years they ruled, their weight of fame.

Only One King has shed his blood
That we might walk in brotherhood;
Whose coin is love, and graved thereon:
A scourge, a cross, a crown of thorn;
Whose reign is without period . . .
The King of Heaven! The Son of God!

~ John Richard Moreland (1880-1947), American poet.

GATHERING

PRELUDE *How Majestic Is Your Name* arr. Glenda Austin
Anne McClain, *Organist*

WELCOME and † INVOCATION (*responsively*) Edward Beddingfield, *Pastor*
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God of the mountaintop, you call us to journey with you.

**Shine upon us; grant us sacred illumination;
dazzle us with your beauty and glory.**

In the midst of our weary souls and exhausted bodies,

Transfigure our imaginations and reveal to us what is possible.

In the face of unceasing violence and unending wars,

Transfigure our imaginations and reveal to us what is possible.

In the midst of crushing disasters, natural and human-made,

Transfigure our imaginations and reveal to us what is possible.

Move us from focusing on scarcity and loss, on grief and fear,
and transfigure our lowly visions to reveal the abundant life of your realm.

**Help us to keep watch and to remain alert,
so that we might leave the mountaintop inspired to do your work
of transformation in the valley below. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

† HYMN OF PRAISE (*insert 502*) *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF GRACE Derek Hogan, *Intercessor*

PROCLAIMING

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 34: 29-35 Trinity Kelly, *Deacon*
As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the
covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face
shone because he had been talking with God . . . [So] when Moses
finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

EPISTLE II Corinthians 3: 12-4: 1 David Steegar, *Deacon*
And we all, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord
as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into
that same image from one degree of glory to another.

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

† SONGS OF TESTIMONY Mariamarta Conrad, *Leader*
How Great Is Our God Chris Tomlin/Ed Cash/Jesse Reeves
The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice
He wraps himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at his voice, and trembles at his voice.

Chorus: How great is our God (sing with me)
How great is our God (and all will see)
How great, how great is our God.

And age to age he stands, and time is in his hands
Beginning and the End, beginning and the End
The Godhead, Three in One; Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. *Chorus*

Name above all names, worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God. *Chorus*

Surely the Presence of the Lord Lanny Wolfe
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place
I can feel his mighty power and his grace
I can hear the rush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

GOSPEL Luke 9: 28-36 Mr. Beddingfield
The Transfiguration.

SERMON *Glimpses of Glory* Mr. Beddingfield

RESPONDING

SONG OF RESPONSE *Transfiguration* King/Ligertwood/Ligertwood/
Ms. Conrad Gaukrodger

INVITATION TO GIVE and Mr. Beddingfield
OFFERTORY *Holy, Holy, Holy* arr. Tracy Craig McKibben
Mrs. McClain

ANTHEM *Jesus Paid It All* Marianne Forman
I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small,
child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all."
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Jesus paid it all; sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow, Jesus paid it all.

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb.

And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat!

HOLY COMMUNION Mr. Beddingfield
Invitation to the Lord's Table
Consecration of the Supper: I Corinthians 11: 23-25

Prayer of Dedication and The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Bread Reginald Heber
*Bread of the world, in mercy broken
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed
By whom the words of life were spoken
And in whose death our sins are dead:*

The Cup Heber
*Look on the hearts by sorrow broken
Look on the tears by sinners shed
And be this feast to us the token
That by your grace our souls are fed.*

The Promise: II Corinthians 11: 26

SENDING

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP Mr. Beddingfield

† HYMN OF SENDING FORTH (*insert 161*) CWM RHONDDA
See Our Lord in All His Glory

† LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY Mr. Beddingfield

† BENEDICTION Mr. Beddingfield

POSTLUDE *Shine, Jesus, Shine* arr. Tim Doran
Mrs. McClain

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Members: Doris Eller, Carolyn Walker, Linda Smith, Betty Wallace

Family and Friends: Teresa Roberts; Frances Davis (*great-aunt of Mariamarta Conrad*); Debbie Johnson (*friend of Cindy Avrette*); Paul Stiller (*father of Susan Morrow*); Kelly McLamb (*daughter of Jerry & Betty Wallace*); International teachers & families

Aldersgate Senior Living Center (Charlotte, NC): Louise Taylor

Emerald Health and Rehab Center (Lillington, NC): Pat Stiller

Deacons for March 2025: Trinity Kelly and Dave Steegar
Deacons for April 2025: Steve DeVane and Tammy Scarborough

Ushers Today: Cherry DeVane, Chad Godwin, Derek Hogan and Jeff Pope
Ushers Mar. 2: Randall Johnson, Susan Johnson, Linda Lunney and Siu-Ki Wong

No Kids' Church Today
Kids' Church Mar. 9: (*need volunteer*)

Nursery today: Michele Phelps
Nursery Mar. 9: (*need volunteer*)

TODAY, March 2nd

Friends Class - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Sarah's Open Door Class - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Children - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. (Library)

Youth - Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. (Family Life Center)

Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

* No Kids' Church

Church Library Open House: immediately following worship (Library)

Gift bags for children & light refreshments

WEDNESDAY, March 5th

Children's Choir: 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)

Simple Supper - Pizza & Salad: 5:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE: 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

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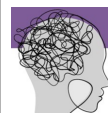
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Kids' Church: during worship (Library)



Pick up a Lenten devotional booklet today for your family.

They are located on the tables in the foyer.



Another option is a weekly Lenten devotion from BWIM (Baptist Women In Ministry). See your church emails for the link to view these devotions.

Ways to Donate to MBC:

- **Offering plates** during the Offertory portion of our service.
- Mailing a **check** payable to: *Memorial Baptist Church*
P.O. Box 485
Buies Creek, NC 27506
- *Our website at www.memorialbcnc.org by clicking the **Donate** tab.
- *Scanning the **QR Code** shown here on your mobile device.

**(If you want 100% of your donation to benefit MBC, please increase your gift by 3% to help cover the transaction expenses.)*



CHURCH LIBRARY NEWS

During the month of March there will be a member of the Library Committee available after Sunday worship services and on Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to help you find and check out books.

APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS



For March, we are collecting:
Shampoo, Body Wash and Soap
(men & women or gender neutral)

Place items in the plastic tote in the hallway.

We also welcome monetary donations to go toward the purchase of backpacks and Bibles. Designate your donation as '*Backpacks.*'

CHURCH MISSION PROJECTS

- **Clothes Closet:** April 5, 2025
- **Harnett Food Pantry:** collecting **non-perishable foods**
(Egg cartons are not needed at this time.)
Needed for March - - **Peanut Butter**
Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome; designate as 'Food Pantry.'
- **Buddy Backpack:** collecting **sandwich crackers "nabs"**
Monetary donations to MBC are also welcome; designate as 'Buddy Backpack.'
- **Belts for HCMS:** *Donations of used men's or boys' belts that can be used for students at the school.*

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Other Staff: By Appointment



Baily's Beads, photographed at Charleston, South Carolina during the August 21, 2017 total solar eclipse. Photo: © Jason Major.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

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Memorial Baptist Church is an inviting, inclusive, Christ-centered community of faith open to all persons who want to walk with us in following the way of Jesus. If you mourn and need comfort; if you're weary and need rest; if you feel friendless and need friendship; if you need a Savior; if you need love; if you need help; whoever you are and whatever your circumstances, we open the door and in the name of Jesus bid you come.

The Rev. Edward Beddingfield, Pastor
Meredith Lanier Craddock, Associate Pastor
Dr. Phillip and Susan Morrow, Ministers of Music
Anne McClain, Organist
Ashley Nelson, Administrative Assistant
Wayne Smith, Custodian